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## VBT Board wary of trusting Wayne County

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

A resolution to approve a paving contract with Fiore Enterprises for Walden Woods as part of the Wayne County Local Road Initiative program was pulled from the agenda of Tuesday's Van Buren Township meeting.

Fiore's low bid was \$214,646.80. The engineer's estimate for the project was \$240,000.

At Monday's work/study session, the board discussed at length the request by Director of Planning and Economic Development Ron Aker to approve a contract for roadwork there "contingent on approval from Wayne County."

Akers said the \$750,000 agreement with Wayne County for the Local Road Initiative that pays 80% of two township projects, was approved in June, but in late August the county wanted changes in the insurance part of the agreement and the full county board never approved the intergovernmental agreement.

He said it should be before the full board of the county commission on Oct. 15. He said all the other townships taking part in the initiative already received approval and there is money available for the VBT projects.

He said the county does not allow asphalt paving after Nov. 15 and the plants close, so he wanted it on the Oct. 6 VBT agenda.

Verdeterre, the contractor approved for the road work on the other project on Dewitt, Jeanette, and Venetian, doesn't want to start later than Oct. 15, Akers said.

Verdeterre was approved as the contractor for the Dewitt, Jeanette, and Venetian project and then, when the county changed the insurance requirement, Verdeterre complied on its own.

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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

Sumpter Township Supervisor John Morgan threw an Oktoberfest party for his friends on Oct. 1 at the Moose Lodge in Sumpter. He and Sumpter's Deputy Treasurer Karen Armatis greeted more than 175 guests. Among the guests, from left, are retired Sumpter Clerk Joan Oddy, Supervisor Morgan, Belleville attorney Barbara Miller, former County Commissioner Kevin McNamara, and Armatis, who tended to all the party details. Morgan said this was not a political event, just a friendly get-together where he offered a free meal and drinks to invited guests to celebrate his first year as supervisor. He was promoted from township treasurer to township supervisor when former Supervisor Johnny Vawters resigned due to health problems.

## City Council approves bid from Jeff Wiseman for computer work

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

The employees at Belleville City Hall will be able to do their work easier and faster with new computer equipment that works with the BS&A software now in place.

And, the proposed bid should be accepted and the equipment put in place at six work stations.

That's what the council was told by City Manager Diana Kollmeyer at Monday's regular meeting.

The council then unanimously accepted the lone bid for computer services and equipment from Jeff Wiseman of Wise

Technologies at a cost of \$9,612.20.

Wiseman's bid was opened at the Sept. 21 meeting and after discussion and many questions the bid was turned over to City Manager Kollmeyer. She said she would sit down with Wiseman and get answers and bring a recommendation back to the council. Her recommendation was to accept the bid.

Wiseman currently is the city's consultant on its computer system.

City Manager Kollmeyer said she would bring a budget amendment to the next meeting.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the council:

- Approved a proposal for Tucker Insurance to give away cider and donuts from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21, at the Fourth Street Square as part of the Booville celebration in Belleville;

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## Keystone school board applauds new state status

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

Keystone Academy Principal Keturah Godfrey received applause after announcing that Keystone has been released from Focus School status by the Michigan Department of Education.

This was at the regular meeting of the Keystone Academy Board of Directors on Sept. 10.

The Aug. 7 letter from the state said: "Your school's hard work and emphasis on data-driven decisions have narrowed the achievement gap between the top and bottom performing 30% of students ... Student achievement among the bottom 30% has improved and we hope this trend continues..."

The letter went on to state that increasing student achievement is essential to meet the state's goal of 85% proficiency for all students by the 2021-22 school year.

Godfrey said the school's bottom 30% is higher than the state average.

Board president Vesta Losen said the gap between the top and bottom students has widened with the top doing better than ever.

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## Harvest Fest is Saturday on 4th Street between museum, library

Harvest Fest is Saturday, Oct. 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fourth Street between the library and the museum in downtown Belleville.

There are free activities for youngsters, including butter churning, candle dipping, scavenger hunts, and pony rides. There will also be a petting zoo.

Several of the activities will be held at the museum and library.

A&W will offer food for sale and several non-profits and churches will be selling baked goods.

Live entertainment will be provided by the group Joyous Noise at both the library and the museum.

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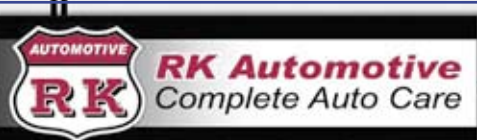
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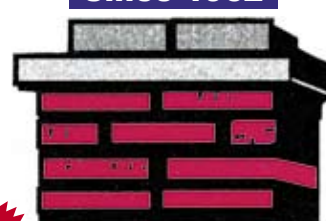
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Roy Acho was among those honored at the Sept. 25 awards dinner of the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce. Acho received the Leona Van Buhler Award. Pausing for a photo are, from left, Sumpter Township Trustee and chamber member Don Swinson, who introduced Sumpter businessman Acho and presented the award; Acho; Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous, who presented a resolution from the county commission; and Belleville Mayor Kerreen Conley, who presented a resolution honoring Acho from the Belleville City Council. Resolutions also were sent by State Rep. Kristy Pagan, U.S. Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, State Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood, and Governor Rick Snyder.

## VBT Planners will hold public walk-through on new Lake Ordinance

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

The Van Buren Township Planning Commission is planning a walk-through, informal public hearing with lots of graphics, aerial photos, and presentations on the 23 pages of proposed amendments to the lake ordinance.

The date for such a meeting was not immediately set.

At the commission's regular meeting Sept. 23, planning consultant Sally Hodges of McKenna Associates, said the ordinance changes do need a formal public hearing before sending it on to the township board for action.

But, before a formal hearing that often becomes confrontational, she recommends a presentation so people can ask questions about their personal property and get answers they need. She said that way more people will understand what they are trying to do.

"What she's suggesting, our department is behind," said Matthew Best, deputy director of the department of planning and economic development. He suggested multiple days to educate the public.

"It will improve the chances of success," Hodges said.

The township has been working on a lake ordinance for at least five years after a court directed the township to have consistent and clear standards for township approvals.

Also the township has to comply with requirements of VBT's license with the

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to operate the French Landing Dam.

The rules in the new ordinance are only for township-owned lake property – the township owned lake and the "gap land" shoreline between the lake and private property.

Commissioner Joan Franzoi said they have to make sure the people in the city of Belleville, who have property on the lake, are aware this impacts them.

Commissioner Bob McKenna said the township has been meeting with the BYC, elected officials of Belleville, and John Juriga (who lives in Belleville and pays VBT taxes).

He said Mayor Kerreen Conley said she felt confident she could sell the ordinance to Belleville residents.

McKenna said BYC is "a big shaker on the lake" and the township will invite specific people to explain what we're trying to do.

Best said they should contact people on the lake and township Treasurer Sharry Budd, who sits on the planning commission, said they have a way of getting all the addresses on the lake to send them notices.

Hodges said everyone will be sent a notice for the formal public hearing, but there is no need to send individual notices for a walk through.

She asked Best to come up with some proposed dates for such a session. McKenna said he'd like to see it all done by Christmas.

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Chamber President Randy Brown presents Beverly Neal with the Ted Kuckelman Award.



Egan's Pub won the Business of the Year award. From left are family friend Mike Kole who gave the speech presenting the award, John and Jennifer Winter of Egan's, Jennifer's parents Jim and Mary Jane Egan.

## Chamber honors Acho, Neal, Egan's Pub at annual awards dinner

More than 100 guests attended the awards dinner held by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce on Sept. 25.

The guests took part in honoring this year's awards winners, said Chamber Executive Director Paul Henning.

Beverly E. Neal of Higgerson and Neal Funeral Home in Belleville received the Ted Kuckelman Award for displaying long-term support and community service.

Roy Acho of Benito's restaurant and Five Star party store in Sumpter Township received the Leona Van Buhler Award for being an individual dedicated to business

and support of the business community.

Egan's Pub was honored as this year's Business of the Year.

Five chamber members were recognized for years of membership:

- 30 years: Belleville Area District Library and Sumpter Township;
- 25 years: Water's Edge Apartments; and
- 20 years: Remax Crossroads and Stoney Creek Motor Sports.

Randy Brown is chamber president and Mike Dotson is president-elect.



# OPINIONS

## Editorial

### Sup. Combs axes Dr. Carl Johnson

At Monday's work/study session of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees and at Tuesday's regular board meeting there was a lot of discussion over Supervisor Combs' decision to axe Dr. Carl Johnson from the planning commission.

Actually, Combs just sent word to Dr. Johnson that he wasn't being reappointed but he could have a seat on the Board of Zoning Appeals if he wanted. He didn't.

Johnson is being replaced by Ronald K. Jackson, who didn't attend either meeting so people could meet him. Jackson is an employee of MDOT where he is a transportation maintenance coordinator.

Supervisor Combs said Jackson came in and applied to be on the planning commission and she thought "new blood" was a good idea and dumped Johnson.

Johnson retired from Ford Motor Co. after a distinguished 41-year career. He earned his PhD in mechanical engineering when on Ford assignment in London. His list of patents is impressive.

If it weren't for Johnson, VBT would have a co-generation plant polluting the neighborhood, John Delaney pointed out at Tuesday's meeting. Johnson had the expertise to question information presented by co-gen promoters.

Combs can insist she's just after "new blood," but Johnson was appointed by her arch rival Paul White and Johnson's wife Diane Madigan is a thorn in Combs' side with all her FOIA requests and support of the fired fire fighter Tony Karver. That's the "new blood" we think she's after.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

I received an unsigned greeting card with the following message: "Would you please pass along a message to Jim Kirk, captain of the Starship Enterprise, to come back to Earth and pick up the piece of his spaceship that fell off when he passed over Five Points in Belleville? Thank you!"

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By reading another paper from the Thumb area I found out about the Michigan Center for Educational Performance and Information website. It's put out by the state to inform the public about what's going on in the schools statewide in a variety of categories. It's very friendly and encourages people to tell their friends and neighbors about it because it's full of information on every school district, and school, in the state.

The website reports that the student count in the Van Buren Public Schools was 5,135 in 2013-14 and 5,042 in 2014-15. We're waiting to hear the superintendent announce the latest count, which he said would probably be at the next school board meeting.

The most recent report on student mobility covers the 2013-14 school year and the report says there were 24 students enrolled in the VBPS who did not live in the district and 214 students who lived in the district that enrolled elsewhere.

Those students went to: Livonia, 39; Romulus, 30; Wayne Westland, 30; Plymouth-Canton, 25; Northville, 21; Garden City, 13; Southgate, 12; Milan, 10; Ann Arbor, 9; Lincoln, 5; Wyandotte, 4; Dearborn, Redford Union, and Taylor, 3 each; Ypsilanti, 2; and Oxford, Flat Rock, Huron, Airport, and Southfield, 1 each.

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



It'll be interesting to see the report for 2014-15 when it comes out.

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On Sunday, rowing teams from the University of Michigan and Ohio State University competed on Belleville Lake in four racing segments at 3,000 meters and a stroke rate capped at 28 per minute. There were no team scores kept, but Michigan's "A8" crew won each racing segment.

The news release from U-M said the challenge for both teams came in navigating a turn in the course, as the spring competition course at Belleville Lake is suited for 2,000 meters. Both teams raced twice going towards and away from the Michigan Boathouse at Van Buren Park.

The next U-M rowing event will be Sunday, Oct. 18, at the Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston, Mass.

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On Sunday evening at the Bugles Across America event at the Veterans Memorial in Belleville, 12-year-old Steven Scarborough, an eighth-grader, filled in as the bugler playing "Taps" for those assembled.

Ross Medaus, who usually plays "Taps" at the Bugles event, was up north at a deer camp where he was cooking for the hunters. Steven did a great job filling in for Ross. And, several people from Steven's church, St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Boston, were present to support him.

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Thirty-three scarecrows were put in

place on lamp poles along Main Street on Monday afternoon. It took just an hour and a half, we're told.

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Cell phones are no longer allowed inside 34<sup>th</sup> District Court in Romulus – except for police and lawyers who can use them for their court work.

A while back a female in the audience, a friend or family member of a defendant, was caught taking pictures of a witness who was testifying on the witness stand. She also took pictures of others in the court room.

She told Judge Green that she was just checking her phone, but they found pictures on her phone and erased them. I still wonder if she had time to send them.

A big sign went up on the door to the courthouse that says you can't bring in cell phones. Then, the guards at the metal detector tell people with phones to take them back out to their cars. About time.

That's been the rule at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in downtown Detroit for many years. I've seen people wanting admittance to that court walk back blocks to deposit their phones in their parked cars so they can enter the court.

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**Letters****Thanks to those who put  
the ghosts on South St.**

To the Editor:

It is with great thankfulness that I am sending this notice for the people in the community to be thankful as well. In response to the DDA request for Booville to be celebrated for the month of October, I wish to thank Diane Sanders, Jean Morris of Belleville, Lynn Eyler of Golden Homes Health Care in Belleville and Bert and Lynn Conrad of Sumpter Township for making and displaying the ghosts along South Street. The businesses without ghosts chose not to participate.

Further, it is with thankfulness that the businesses and property owners on each side of South Street from Five Points to the RR tracks deserve a thank you for participating by allowing us to display the ghosts at their sites: Lonnie's Auto Center, Marathon Station, Gulf Oil Change, Sugar Plum Candy Shoppe, Ken Voigt, Dr. MacDermid's Office, Home Health Care, Barb Workman, John Jones (Glass Ranch building owner), and I must include myself (Threads 'N Treasures Quilt Shop) as one displaying the ghosts as well.

Ghosts may not be all you see as you travel on South Street. Items may be added throughout the month with a big BOO added as well. Happy and healthy traveling to you during the month of October.

Kay Atkins, Belleville

**South Street treated like  
Belleville's step-child**

To the Editor:

I am so baffled that there is only one observed way into Belleville. I say this because if you come in from Belleville Road you know you are entering downtown. If you come in from Sumpter Road you eventually figure it out.

One entrance is well lit the other gets a dark sign on the side of the road. Making even less sense is the fact that the DDA claims the South Street District yet does

very little there to attract attention. I have come to refer to it as Belleville's step-child.

It seems no one realizes how many people come in from South Street since the only community board is on the Belleville Road end of town, or maybe people coming in this way just don't need to know what is going on.

I enjoy my time here in Belleville. It's just too bad as an outsider I have to search for great businesses here.

Kay Atkins has folks out putting up ghosts around this end of town in hopes people will notice some of the small businesses Belleville (currently Booville) has to offer.

Once again, though Booville only seems to be on the Belleville Road area as there aren't any banners (minus the tiny orange flags on lamp posts) that acknowledge it from this corridor.

Sadly, I'm starting to understand some of the negative comments I have been hearing over the last year and I get the struggle and feel I am doing my part. I clean the property even to the extent of power washing the winter grime off the sidewalks at the first break in the weather.

Belleville is a beautiful city that deserves the effort to highlight its corridors to Downtown.

One other bothersome thought is the logic behind not having the library on Main street because "it is for businesses." Really? Why then is the museum there? I for one think the library would enhance the museum and vice versa.

With what I read about the local school districts in trouble maybe this is a hindrance to education. If you don't educate then no one will know enough to run these businesses you are reserving Main Street for.

Dorene Mroz, Sugar Plum Candy Shoppe  
South Street, Belleville

**VBPS employees get  
fitness classes at BHS**

To the Editor:

I would like to thank Van Buren Public Schools for partnering with PRYDE Athletics in bringing fitness classes to their employees. It is wonderful that this program is available until Dec. 18.

This is a great opportunity to get fit and stay healthy while enjoying the camaraderie of our colleagues. Along with cardio and strength training, we receive fitness tips from Ivan of PRYDE Athletics.

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## River of Life sets 12<sup>th</sup> annual Community Harvest Fest on Oct. 24

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The event will feature food, games, face painting, prizes, giveaways, bags of candy, a bonfire, pony rides, and Belleville's Fire Department truck.

For more information, call Senior Pastor Eddie Marcum at (734) 699-6700.


## Faith-based film, The Messenger's Box, to premier on Saturday

A faith-based film "The Messenger's Box," has been filmed by Belleville resident Jeff McHall and will premier at the Novi Emagine Theater at 2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 10. It was filmed in Michigan with a Michigan cast and crew. Executive Producer is Brian Chambers.

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## Obituaries



Richard Oliver Price

### RICHARD O. PRICE

(January 15, 1931 -- September 30, 2015)

Richard Oliver Price, age 84, of Belleville, MI, passed away Wednesday, September 30, 2015 surrounded by his loving family at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, MI. He was born January 15, 1931 in Detroit, MI, son of John Clifford & Ivy Mary (Mackie) Price.

He proudly served his country in the Korean Conflict. He retired from Wayne/Westland Public Schools after many years as a plumber. He enjoyed work, he was always willing to help others when he could, and was a real "Mr. Fix It." He enjoyed Western movies, and loved being with family and friends. He was known locally as the "Ice Man on Ecorse Road" for his beautiful ice creations with a little help from "Old Man Winter." He was a member of Denton Faith United Methodist Church, Belleville. Mr. Price is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Barbara (English) Price; four children Patricia (Herbert Happke) Price of Belleville, John (Debra) Price of Britton, MI, William (Heidi) Price of Commerce Township, MI and Amy (Gary) Fulton of Belleville, also the late David (Brenda) Price of Kentucky; 10 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by many loving family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, son David in 2008, also two brothers Alfred and Norman Price.

Visitation was from 2-8 PM Wednesday, October 7, 2015 and 2-8 PM Thursday, October 8, 2015 at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI (734) 697-4500. His funeral service will be 10 AM Friday, October 9, 2015 at Denton Faith United Methodist Church, 6020 Denton Road, Belleville, MI 48111 with a visitation at 9:30 AM. Reverend Naylo Hopkins will officiate. Interment will be in Denton Cemetery, Belleville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan Parkinson Foundation and would be greatly appreciated. Please sign his on-line guest book at [www.davidcbrownfh.com](http://www.davidcbrownfh.com) and share a story for his family to cherish.



### DONALD RAY HILL

(July 22, 1934 -- October 1, 2015)

Age 81 of Van Buren Township. Survived by wife Rose; children Joseph, Anna Lisa, Mary "Diane", Donna, Sandy, Donald; ten grandchildren. Service with military honors was Oct. 7 at David C. Brown Funeral Home.

### ODELL HOWARD TIDWELL

(February 15, 1924 -- October 4, 2015)

Age 91 of Belleville. Survived by daughter Betty Herring, 3 grandchildren, 2 great-grandsons, and a brother Austin. Visitation was Wednesday at David C. Brown Funeral Home. Burial in Haleyville, Alabama.



James Thomas Mattson, Sr.

### JAMES THOMAS MATTSON

(March 7, 1937 -- September 30, 2015)

James Thomas Mattson, Sr., 78, long-time resident of Van Buren Township, died at home September 30, 2015. He was born March 7, 1937, the son of Alvin B. Mattson and Dorothy Mattson.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years Cora Ellen Mattson; five children Teresa F. (Colin) Jordan, James T. (Sylvia) Mattson Jr., Robin L. (James) Taylor, Robert D. Mattson, and Sandra K. Maupin; 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters Jean and Diane; and one brother Edward. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Donald.

Mr. Mattson was a master plumber for 50 years. He owned and operated Huron Clinton Construction Company for nearly 40 years. He served in the army where he boxed for the U.S. Army boxing team. He enjoyed fishing, boating, and taking family vacations to the Florida Keys.

A memorial service will be held at the Romulus VFW in Romulus, MI, from 2:30-6:30 p.m. October 11, 2015 for family and friends.



Fred Joseph Kulhanek

### FRED J. KULHANEK

(May 27, 1953 -- October 6, 2015)

Fred Joseph Kulhanek, age 62, of Willis, MI, passed away Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. He was born May 27, 1953, in Wyandotte, MI, son of George Joseph & Virginia Cecilia (Kijewski) Kulhanek.

Fred loved the outdoors. He enjoyed feeding wildlife, fishing and hunting small game. He also loved scratch off lottery tickets, decorating for Christmas and Elvis.

Mr. Kulhanek is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Dee (Guy) Kulhanek; two brothers David (Bev) Kulhanek of Taylor, MI and Daniel (Sharon) Kulhanek of Lincoln Park, MI; two sisters Theresa (John) Bolinger of Jackson, MI and Linda Kulhanek of Downriver, MI; sister-in-law Denise Burken of Belleville, MI; his two beloved dogs Dino Junior and Chase J.; also several nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, his mother in December 2014, also two brothers-in-law Jim Raby and Doug Burken.

Visitation will be 5-8 PM Thursday, October 8, 2015 with a Time for Sharing Service at 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to his wife Dee, and would be greatly appreciated. Please sign his on-line guest book and share a story for his family to cherish at [www.davidcbrownfh.com](http://www.davidcbrownfh.com).

## More Letters

### I'm Phillip Miller and I'm running for mayor

To the voters of Belleville,

Let me introduce myself. I'm Phillip Miller, and I'm running for mayor.

Although I have significant experience managing large city budgets and operations, my heart has, and always will, remain here in Belleville.

I was born and raised here and, quite frankly, expected to live in a much more vibrant, well-managed and welcoming community than I reside in today. Something has to change. That must begin with leadership.

Belleville needs a more proactive mayor that is capable, willing and able to leverage our city's many assets, particularly its waterfront. As important, it needs visionary leadership that has the ability to do far more than merely maintain the status quo.

Shrinking city budgets require more thoughtful action and accountability than is happening under our current city leadership, heralded by an invest-now-and-think-later mentality.

We've built docks that can't moor boats, streets lined with tar balls and potholes within only five years of installation from open seals and poor quality materials (more to come post winter) and infinite failed marketing campaigns aimed at supporting downtown development in a largely empty business district. High occupancy rates are only half the story. Numerous large vacant parcels and blighted buildings are the other half. We should encourage beautification in the absence of occupancy.

The vibrant new downtown library, which should have been under construction at this time, was derailed by support so weak that the Mayor did not even announce a public position on the matter until numerous public inquiries forced her hand.

Our community deserves more than piecemeal development efforts. We need a master plan coupled to a vision.

I have a vision to promote Belleville as a regional destination/resort community, which will enhance business development, residential property values and quality of

life for residents and visitors alike.

More importantly, I have a proven track record in heading large scale development initiatives, which require collaboration, cooperation and, yes, a willingness to speak-up and stand behind my convictions.

And I'm not afraid to set, and hold people and organizations, accountable to, uphold the public trust and pledge to negotiate in good faith with the unions and other entities that provide us with valuable services that enhance our quality of life.

Finally, I pledge to uphold higher standards for contracts and professional services that do not allow friendships and associations to impede good judgment and fiscal accountability to the citizens of Belleville.

I'm not afraid to question contractor/employee qualifications, costs and results. In fact, my skills, experience and (documented) track record uniquely qualify me to serve as your mayor.

I've headed major projects, including a \$10 million annual capital program, during my tenure as a Grants and Contracts Manager for the Detroit Recreation Department with accountability for its marinas, concerts venues, festival sites, regional parks, concessions services and long-term capital leases. I have worked with the DNR and private entities many times on projects to insure success.

I understand both municipal and non-profit administration, including financial, program and project management evidenced by a 20-year track record of success.

I've managed fleets, museum collections and assets, large scale land management, stewardship and planning.

As important, I understand the challenges of running my own small business as the owner/operator of MVP Solutions, LLC, a Belleville-based construction and consulting firm.

And I'm no stranger to contract negotiations, having crafted a municipal early-retirement initiative that attracted 80 percent participation of program participants who, rather than face layoffs, were able to voluntarily retire with benefits. Having provided direct advice regarding PA 312 negotiations with police and firefighters, I find the current breakdown in negotiations with the firefighter's union

unacceptable and indefensible.

The Mayor's position requires the ability to face challenges head on, not avoid them. Rest assured, I will not be absent during scheduled negotiations. Our fire fighters, deserve better. They risk their lives and the thanks they get is the insult of "sorry, I had plans."

I've reorganized major operations, which resulted in millions of dollars in tax payer savings from Detroit's City Airport, Historical Museum and its Public Library.

I can and will lead with uncompromised integrity. Voters can rest assured that as Belleville's mayor, I will not take part in unethical practices which diminish public trust and the integrity of public office. This fact is well-evidenced by my resignation from a well-paid post with the City of Detroit when ethical violations became apparent.

My industry affiliations include membership of the American Planning Association and Government Finance Officers Association, in addition to my Director position of the Belleville Rotary Club and past president and treasurer role with the Belleville Area Council for the Arts, which I still am an active member of.

With a Bachelor of Science and Master degrees in Public Administration from Western Michigan University with concentrations in local government finance and administration, I have the academic background to serve.

A vote for me will assure citizens (and visitors) a solid, sustainable future with amenities to the natural resources unique to our "Downtown on the Lake."

Phillip M. Miller  
Belleville

### Deer season is upon us, watch out as you drive

To the Editor:

In Wayne County over the past decade deer-related accidents have increased by 32%. October and November are when most of these accidents occur.

Drive safely. If one deer crosses the road, there may be more crossing. Try to avoid swerving, if possible. Keep your vehicle

facing forward and brake to a controlled stop.

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Sumpter Township Trustee Peg Morgan, left, and Fire Chief Joe Januszyk presented the retirement badge and a plaque to the family of Edward Wisniewski, who died in May after serving 32 years as a fire fighter. Accepting the awards were his son Michael Wisniewski and wife Amanda, grandson Michael W., granddaughter Shyla and his widow Janice. This photo is being rerun as a correction, since two names were incorrect in last week's outline.

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# Keystone

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"We aren't holding a brick on the higher students," Losen said, who noted the state changed its rules on Focus Schools so that if your lower 30% are higher than the state average you are not a Focus School.

Godfrey said it's a great relief not to have to do the quarterly reports on special programs put in place that Focus Schools have to do. Keystone was named a Focus School in 2012.

In other business at its Sept. 10 meeting, the board:

- Approved \$11,000 from the board's discretionary fund to pay 11 athletic coaches, as requested by John LeBlanc, athletic director/gym teacher. LeBlanc ran around the community on his own time in the summer and got to know people. He said he went door to door and got 10 companies to offer customer discounts on a card that athletes will sell for \$10, with the athletic department getting \$9 per card. He said the soccer team needs balls and volleyball needs a new net, among other needs;

- Learned 25 Young K Kindergartners and 83 Kindergartners have enrolled, with no Kindergartners left on the waiting list. For Young K through eighth grade there are 766 students enrolled and 180 on the waiting list. There was discussion on why the Kindergarten students are fewer than in the past and the proliferation of schools was a factor, along with a low birth rate;

- Was informed new hires are: Tracy Kaminski, eighth grade; Chelsea Jackson, Y5s; Oliver Rodriguez, music; and Renee Letts, second grade;

- Learned two bullying episodes have been reported to the state for the previous school year, with one student getting one day of in-school suspension and one getting one day of out-of-school suspension. "We try to do early intervention," Godfrey said. Reg Ion, a grandparent of Keystone students, said, "It's so important to get after that right away ... important for all the kids";

- Heard Godfrey tell of Carla Cox, who has worked in the public schools for 35 years and now runs a reading clinic in Romulus, and her new program in targeted phonics that she used on 30 Keystone students in first to third grades twice a week for six weeks. She wants to publish her all-new material and used the program with the Keystone students as an experiment. Godfrey said it worked out very well for the students;

- Learned National Heritage Academies needs to submit paperwork to Bay Mills Community College on recommended new board member Connie Shull, who was asked to sign paperwork. Godfrey suggested another candidate for the board and she was encouraged to talk to the person about serving;

- Heard Losen say she thinks all the money coming in from the Stars before/after school program should go to Keystone, instead of sharing it equally with NHA since Keystone already pays NHA for use

of the building. She said Keystone used to get \$11,000 from the Stars program and now it is down to \$3,000. She said the extra money could be used by the principal for special programs. They will look into the contract with Stars;

- Approved the state-mandated School Improvement Plan;

- Approved 2015 Compliance with Children's Internet Protection Act;

- Approved the 2016 Letter of Agency for E-rate Funding;

- Approved naming Losen as Public School Academy Criminal History Records Information authorized user. The board also authorized Losen to designate an alternative agent that meets the agency requirement should one become available; and

- Noted the board has the almost \$5,000 check Bay Mills sent to help pay for the extra testing the school is doing and the board will decide what to do with it.

The board's next meeting is 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 8.

## Tiger Trek Walk-a-Thon, Family Fun Day set Oct. 24 at BHS

Van Buren Public Schools will hold a Tiger Trek Walk-a-Thon and Family Fun Day from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 in the Belleville High School athletic wing, 501 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville.

The event will feature vendors such as Pampered Chef, JamBerry Nails, Thirty-One, and more. Crafters will also be on site with various handmade items for sale. The event will feature inflatables and face painting for the children to enjoy. A variety of food items will be available for purchase. There will be a large basket raffle and a 50/50 drawing. General admission is free, with ticket purchase required for some activities.

"We are looking forward to a fun, family event that will benefit Van Buren Public Schools," said event chairperson and school board member Kelly Owen. "Please come out and see our beautiful high school and enjoy our Tiger Trek activities."

Andrea VanDenBergh explained the use of the funds raised.

"Each student will get a walk-a-thon envelope for donations. Those donation funds for the elementary, Owen and McBride schools will go to the specific school's PTO for disbursement. I cannot tell you what each school has planned, but I know Owen Intermediate is planning

on finishing the Tiger Den room with furnishings and board games and then we are planning on buying some dictionaries for the school at the request of the teachers. For the high school, the students will be able to earmark their donations to the cause of their choice -- band, sports teams, Honor Society, Student Council, Senior Party, Drama Club, General Fund, etc.

"The money raised during the actual day at the concessions and raffles will be divided up between the schools after the bills are paid and we set some money aside to fund next year's event."

## PRISM residency program coming to McBride in March

A residency program aimed at "building character through music" has been set for next March at McBride Middle School.

McBride is one of six schools in the Greater Detroit area that is targeted to expose more than 3,400 students to the best musical artists possible.

"We believe if they can see it, they can be it, which is why we are beyond excited to have the PRISM Quartet in residence with us here, in the heart of Detroit," said Damien Crutcher, the founding executive director of Crescendo Detroit, one of the six schools targeted.

While in residence, PRISM will give assembly performances, composition classes, learning labs, and coaching sessions.

The PRISM contemporary-classical saxophone quartet was founded in 1984 at the University of Michigan. PRISM has performed at Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall, the Cleveland Orchestra and the Detroit Symphony.

Tim Miller, who teaches band at McBride Middle School, was an original member of the PRISM Quartet.

Current members are Timothy McAllister, soprano; Zachary Shemon, alto; Matthew Levy, tenor; and Taimur Sullivan, baritone.

A Homecoming Concert to benefit the Southeast Michigan Residency program will be held at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at First Presbyterian Church, 300 N. Washington Street, Ypsilanti. Tickets are \$22 for general admission and \$17 for students with ID. To purchase tickets and for more information, visit [www.prismquartet.com/concerts](http://www.prismquartet.com/concerts).

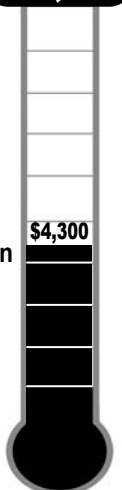
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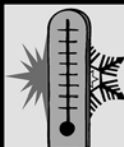
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## More Letters

### With new BHS, why are students falling behind?

To the Editor:

Early last July, on two separate occasions, I had an opportunity to come in contact with two young students of this school district.

The first: I entered a local business where a young man clerked – who I later discovered to be an 11<sup>th</sup> grade student at BHS. That day, being very close to Pearl Harbor Day, I asked the young man if he knew what Pearl Harbor was all about. His reply: “No, I don’t think so.” (My first shocker of the week end!)

The very next day, I was having lunch at a Belleville restaurant when a pretty, young waitress (OOPS, that’s not P.C., is it?) I should have referred to that person as a SERVER. When my lunch arrived at my table, I asked the SERVER if Pearl Harbor rang a familiar bell to her. Her reply: “No, I don’t know what it is.” Then, she proudly exclaimed: “But, I’m street smart!”

I inquired about her education and she told me she had borne a baby but went on to graduate from BHS and was beginning soon at Wayne County Community College. I told her I was happy that she finished high school and was apparently looking to a better future.

I am wondering now, WHY did our husbands, fathers, brothers voluntarily sacrifice their lives and their futures for a generation that is NOT learning about or appreciating the many sacrifices of our servicemen and women? (Oh well, that’s just ancient history, right?) In times like these, when our great nation is lacking true, trusted, Constitution-driven American leadership, it is an absolute certainty that we MUST place education at the very top of our priorities, for the safety and well-being of this generation and future generations.

Recently, I read the minutes of the VBPS board meeting where it stated that our school district has within its student body, third graders who cannot multiply 10x10. I could NOT believe what I was reading! I wondered aloud, HOW can this be? Do we NOT have a teacher, or parent, someone -- interested or concerned about

these children – enough to simply teach adding a zero when using a 10 multiplier? Obviously, NOT!

I view today’s lack of compassion as both dangerous and abusive. There is an ugly, visible void in the well-being and education of this generation and, as I read the statistics, our children are in urgent need of attention. Today, we rave about our children’s knowledge of available electrical advancements, and I agree -- that’s all well and good, BUT I’m sure others will agree – it is both alarming and dangerous to witness how ignorant many of our youth are when relating to our country’s past history and everyday happenings.

Consequently, parental distractions and the school’s teaching inadequacy, could very well spell disaster to our great nation. Now, perhaps, more urgent than ever before, we Americans – parents, grandparents, all of us -- MUST prioritize and totally focus on today’s education and teaching, beginning NOW. We must attend school board meetings, pay attention to priorities and DEMAND a greater, improved education, as well as accountability for all.

Now we read of another disheartening, latest newscast; that being the most recent issue of the *Independent* headlining, “Van Tassel announces ‘Rapid Turnaround’ sessions for district staff.” Truthfully, this article did not point out anything new to me – I’m not surprised and no one else should be when one reflects on the superintendent’s role as leader. Many testimonies and facts have shown me that when the citizens’ opinions and suggestions are either ignored or degraded, that person doing so is NOT qualified to lead our school district.

Obviously, our school board members are struggling with how to conduct themselves as a board. May I take the liberty to suggest the board simply begin with LISTENING, and respect; respect for the opinions and/or suggestions of ANY person who expends the time and energy to attend a board meeting with ANY issue relating to their child’s education. PARENTS matter, VOTERS matter, and most importantly, CHILDREN MATTER! Let’s begin by paying polite attention and genuine concern to the people’s issues – for our children’s sake.

Have any of your readers questioned, as I have, WHY do most of the members of

this school board praise and advance this superintendent BEFORE we learn of all the disappointing facts and figures? Facts and figures that he, the superintendent, is rightfully accountable for. Remember, “The buck stops here” in this case the superintendent’s office. Remember, too, the school board hired him!

In all honesty, with “above-board” fairness, we, the electorate should be made fully aware of the failures, as well as accomplishments of the superintendent BEFORE our elected school board members offer an extended contract or increase of monetary value. For months, I have read articles concerning the “conduct” of the school board members. In that area, I believe most of the board members deserve and have earned a failing grade. The few who do speak up on behalf of the attendees at board meetings are shamefully reprimanded and discouraged from again speaking out.

Clearly, some of our present school board members have erred for the sake of expediency when searching for a replacement of the former superintendent. It is well known there is a great deal of time and effort expended during the search for a superintendent, but the consequences of a bad decision can be devastating for all. A superintendent should NEVER discourage or prohibit suggestions or comments directed to him or the school board members. If he does, his actions/behavior will greatly hinder any fair chance of a good relationship between the citizens and schools.

It is obvious to me pre-planned consideration was given Mr. Van Tassel, former BHS band director, and, as in prior elections, proud band members’ family and friends undoubtedly were votes for favored candidates applying for a seat on the school board. The voters were repeatedly told of a “dire” need for a new high school (“state of the art”) – also an endorsement for a superintendent who was then a teacher of band/instrumental music.

The BOTTOM LINE (and question) in the voter’s mind is: Now that we have a new “state of the art” high school, and with celebrated, advance technology, WHY are so many students falling behind?

God Bless America!  
(Mrs.) Ruth E. Bleeker  
Belleville

### Thanks to all who donated baby items

To the Editor and Community:

Thanks to all the people who gave baby items, who provided their favorite dishes, and to everyone who supported the Community Baby Shower. Mrs. Wanda Merriweather of First Step was speaker and was presented with over 200 baby items from clothes, blankets, diapers, diaper bags, and so much more.

The need is great and First Step was very appreciative of the baby items.

A special thank you to local businesses who gave their support: Garden Fantasy on Main, Johnston Lithograph, Inc., Edible Arrangements, Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue, and to Tiffany Q Bra Boutique and to the *Independent*.

Some ladies asked when was the next baby shower? That is to be determined.

Thank you and it was a pleasure to sponsor this great event.

Marian Caldwell  
Van Buren Township

### Rep. Pagan sets town hall on education at Van Buren Township Hall

State Rep. Kristy Pagan, D-Canton, will hold a community discussion about the state of education in Michigan at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Van Buren Township Hall Board Room, 46425 Tyler Road.

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# City Council

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- Heard Mayor Kerreen Conley read a proclamation naming Oct. 4-10 as National Fire Prevention Week in Belleville. The proclamation said Belleville residents should install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level of the home because half of home fire deaths result from fires reported between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most people are asleep;
- Heard Fire Chief Brian Loranger say his department's fire truck will be at Edgemont Elementary School on Oct. 7 and at Harvest Fest on Saturday, Oct. 10;
- Approved accounts payable of \$41,914.72 and a departmental purchase in excess of \$500: to Work N Gear, uniforms from the general fund, \$1,600;
- Heard DPW Director Keith Tackett explain the new manhole covers that will have the city seal on them. He said each one is 137 pounds and EJ Ironworks offers

the design free if a municipality buys 30 or more. With the new SRF loan to upgrade the sewer system, the city is buying 40 lids. He said from now on anytime the city replaces a manhole cover it will be with one of these;

- Heard City Manager Kollmeyer explain that the precise schedule of the school resource officer is being kept for evaluation of the services the city gives to the school district. She said it is to see if hours are being spent that the city pays for. "It's a pretty rigid schedule," she said. Her comment was in response to a question by Michael Renaud about whether the city is looking at a new deal with the school on the resource officer;

• Heard Mayor Conley say she is happy to see an officer in front of her house near Belleville High School where "a whole bunch of children hang out." Police Chief Hal Berriman said there have been some pretty good foot chases in that area, which keeps his officers in shape;

- Heard Councilman Tom Fielder announce this week end will be busy in

Belleville with BHS Homecoming on Friday and Harvest Fest on Saturday. He also said the museum exhibit on Belleville Lake is down now and available for display at places throughout the community. He said Van Buren Township Treasurer Sharry Budd has asked for it to come to the VBT Hall;

- Heard an owner of Sugar Plum Candy Shoppe on South Street ask if the lights were all put out on South Street to make it spooky for Booville. He said there have been no lights since Friday. Tackett said that was not the idea and he was working on fixing it. It may be a timer problem and then there is "a fault in the logic circuit";

• Heard Mary Talaga ask when the mess at E. Huron River Drive and S. Edgemont will be cleaned up. Tackett said MichCon promised an answer next week. MichCon is waiting for Wayne County to issue a permit. He also said the county inspectors for the E. Huron River Drive road job were in earlier that day and told him crews would be in to move some of the grass blankets that have been displaced by wind

and driving over, and to re-water and re-seed;

- Went into closed-door session to consult with the city attorney regarding strategy for pending litigation, on the basis that an open meeting would have a detrimental financial impact on the position of the city in the litigation; and

• Then went into a second closed-door session to discuss the status and strategy of pending union negotiations.

## More Letters

### Invest in students needing job skills

To the Editor:

I had the pleasure of substitute teaching for Mrs. Yolanda Curtis at Haggerty Adult Transition Program last week. The students' ages range from 18-26 and are responsible incredible young adults hoping to receive greater job skills.

Mrs. Curtis is interested in and seeking local companies that will allow one or more of her students to get out into the workforce. These students offer their skills on a voluntary basis, two hours per day - one or more days per week. It is a win-win situation for our community. You give, they grow!

We preach and promote buying and supporting local businesses. This mission needs to start with or extend to the investment of our young people. Please, don't underestimate the abilities of those with disabilities; in-fact let us all be a part of discovering their weaknesses, inform and guide their growth, and acknowledge their strengths by highlighting such experiences and skills.

I would like to piggy-back on the honorable mission and applaud Yolanda's efforts.

I challenge and invite any and all local business to contact her. Help her place her students with greater ease. Find it in your wallets to buy local. Find it in your hearts to invest local.

When we educate and assist our workforce we strengthen our community. Learn More. Give More

Contact Yolanda Curtis, Transition Coordinator/Job Coach, Van Buren Public Schools, [ycurtis@vanburenschools.net](mailto:ycurtis@vanburenschools.net). Lifetime Learner, Tori Lisa Long  
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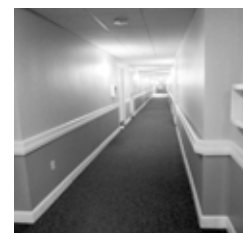


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## VBT Plan

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The commissioners went over the most recent updates to the draft ordinance, asking questions and making comments.

In other business at the Sept. 23 meeting, the planning commission:

- Voted unanimously to recommend to the township board the rezoning of two parcels at the northeast corner of Quirk Road and the North I-94 Service Drive from R-1B to C-2 (extensive highway business) with conditions, subject to a review of the township attorney. When the commission had concerns about a drive from the site onto the residential Quirk Road, Remy Hanna made the request for a conditional rezoning with the agreement that, after construction, there will be no entrance/exit onto Quirk Road without coming back to the township for approval or denial. In exchange the township allows Hanna to add an additional 5 feet to his hotel to allow him to build with a peaked roof. The township ordinance limits the height to 40 feet and this will be 45 feet; and

- Approved the proposed amendment to neighboring Canton Township's master plan changing the use of two areas that do not abut VBT. The Michigan Planning Enabling Act requires that a proposed master plan amendment be distributed to the planning commission of an adjacent municipality.

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## Things to do in Booville

- **Month of October** – Booville in Belleville. Scarecrows along Main
- **Saturday, Oct. 10** – Annual Harvest Fest in Belleville, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., between library and museum on Fourth Street.
- **Friday, Oct. 16** – Paranormal tours at the Belleville Area Museum, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – BHS New Tech Zombie 5K Run/Walk, begins and ends at Horizon Park Gazebo. Check in 9 a.m., race at 10 a.m. \$ Register at Active.com .
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – Tour of Hillside Cemetery, noon – 3 p.m. Shuttle service available from museum. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – Pumpkin Carving at Fourth Street Square, noon-2 p.m. Rotary and Chamber. Help us build a wall of lighted pumpkins. Bring your own pumpkin to carve or bring a carved pumpkin.
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – “Frankenweenie” (PG) at 3 p.m. at the library. Free.
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – Community Harvest Party starts at 4 p.m. at Belleville Lighthouse Church, 16650 Sumpter Road. Face painting, crafts and games, food and candy, hayrides and bonfire.
- **Saturday, Oct. 17** – St. Anthony’s Annual Autumn Dinner/Dance, 6:30 p.m.-midnight \$, at Father Folta Building, 409 W. Columbia Ave.
- **Sunday, Oct. 18** – A&W Doggie Costume Fun Day at 148 W. Columbia Ave., 11:30 a.m. – 8 p.m. Free. Complimentary doggie hotdogs and treats, plus prizes for costume winners. Costumes not necessary for doggie treats.
- **Tuesday, Oct. 20** – Double feature movie at 7 p.m. at the library: “Frankenstein” (1910 silent film) and classic “Frankenstein” with Boris Karloff (1931). Free.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 21** – Free cider and donuts on the Fourth Street Square, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., courtesy Tucker Insurance.
- **Thursday, Oct. 22** – The Big Reveal: Paranormal Investigations Findings at 7 p.m. at the museum. \$
- **Thursday, Oct. 22** – Pumpkin Carving and Craft Workshop at Garden Fantasy on Main, 201 Main Street, 6 p.m. \$. Take home a carved pumpkin fall arrangement. Registration required.
- **Friday, Oct. 23** – Witch’s Ball in Booville Tent on Fourth Street Square, starts at 7:30 p.m. Music, food, drinks. Witch costume required for the ladies. \$ For gentleman: an evening downtown pub crawl, finishing up at Booville Tent at 10 p.m. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Pancakes & Pumpkins Breakfast, 8-11 a.m., Booville Tent, by Community Assistance Fund – CAF5. \$
- **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Dash in Disguise Family Fun Run 1K, 9 a.m., \$5 per person. Start at Horizon Park, up to 5 Points, finish at Fourth Street Square. Discount for runners at pancake breakfast. Put on by Plymouth YMCA. Prizes for best costumes.
- **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Booville Kids’ activities, noon-3 p.m. in the Booville Tent on Fourth Street Square. Face painting,

photo cut-outs, games, pumpkin painting and spiders, cookie walk. \$5 family entry. Central Business Community. Food by Twisted Rooster. Face painting by Bob Mytych.

• **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Boo-Tech Cauldron Cook-off under the Booville Tent in the Fourth Street Square. Taste and vote for the winners, 6-10 p.m. Music by BHS bands. Put on by BHS New Tech and Chamber of Commerce.

• **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Candy Loop at Quirk Park, off Tyler Road in Van Buren Township, 5-7 p.m. VBT Parks and Recreation.

• **Sunday, Oct. 25** – Kids Costume Dance Party at museum, 3-6 p.m.

• **Sunday, Oct. 25** – Black Magic Ball, Big Band concert, 4-7 p.m. under the Booville Tent on the Fourth Street Square, donations appreciated. Put on by Belleville Community Chorus, Blue Steel Jazz Band, with Egan’s Pub.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 27** – Frankenstein Scary Movies Series, “Young Frankenstein” (PG) 7 p.m. at library. Dress as Frankenstein and win a prize.

• **Friday, Oct. 30** – Halloween Trick or Treating in downtown Belleville, 5-7 p.m., plus Costume Contest at Fourth Street Square. City of Belleville and Central Business Community.

## Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, Oct. 8** – The Homegrown Knowledge series, sponsored by the Friends of the Belleville Area District Library, presents Jamie Berlin of the Ypsi Melissa organization to talk about bees and beekeeping, 7 p.m. in the library’s program room. FREE

• **Thursday, Oct. 8** – Casserole Luncheon for Missions at noon at St. John’s Lutheran Church, 28320 Waltz Road, Waltz. \$7 donation includes dessert and door prize.

• **Friday, Oct. 9** – Friends Family Theater FREE Movie Night, 7 p.m., Fine Family Films, Fun, Food ALL for FREE! Movies will be shown in the white framed building, 7890 Tuttle Hill Road (at Bemis Road) Ypsilanti. Featuring, on the 25-foot screen: a film about a land of tomorrow (2015, 120 minutes). Questions: (734) 482-5074.

• **Saturday, Oct. 10** – Vendor & Craft Show, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., at Victorious Life church, 860 E. Clark Road, Ypsilanti, (734) 482-4293. Lunches also available for \$5.

• **Saturday, Oct. 10** – Harvest Fest in Belleville, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fourth Street between the library and museum. Music by Joyous Noise in the museum and library, noon to 3 p.m. Nickel Dig on the front lawn of the museum, 2 p.m. Petting farm, pony rides, hands-on old-time activities, food from A&W.

• **Saturday, Oct. 10** – Mom-2-Mom and Bake Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Willow United Methodist Church, 36925 Willow Road, New Boston. Donation: 1 non-perishable food item or \$1 per person.

Shop for great deals on gently used clothes, toys, books, games, more. Proceeds go to community outreach programs.

• **Saturday, Oct. 10** – Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. only for Van Buren Township residents at U.S. Ecology’s east parking lot, 49350 North I-94 Service Drive. Dispose of household hazardous waste in a safe and environmentally friendly manner.

• **Saturday, Oct. 10** – All residents of Wayne County can take their Household Hazardous Waste to the Wayne County sponsored collection from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Wayne County Community College located at 21000 Northline Road, Taylor.

• **Sunday, Oct. 11** – Today at 11 a.m. it’s Church Homecoming and Pastor Appreciation Day at Belleville Freewill Baptist Church, 750 E. Huron River Drive. The Sammons Family will be singing and there will be a delicious dinner following the service. All are welcome.

• **Monday, Oct. 12** – Join State Rep. Kristy Pagan at 7 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Hall Board Room, 46425 Tyler Road, for a town hall meeting on Michigan education.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 14** – The Owen Intermediate School Nature Walk, behind the school, will be dedicated at 4:15 p.m. Those interested are invited to see the trail for themselves.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 14** – Willow United Methodist Church, 36925 Willow Road, New Boston, is serving a chicken dinner, 5 p.m. until sold out. Carry-outs start at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person; children

12 and under \$5 each. Menu: fried chicken, mashed potatoes, biscuits & gravy, green beans, cole slaw, dessert, coffee, hot tea, milk, (734) 654-9020

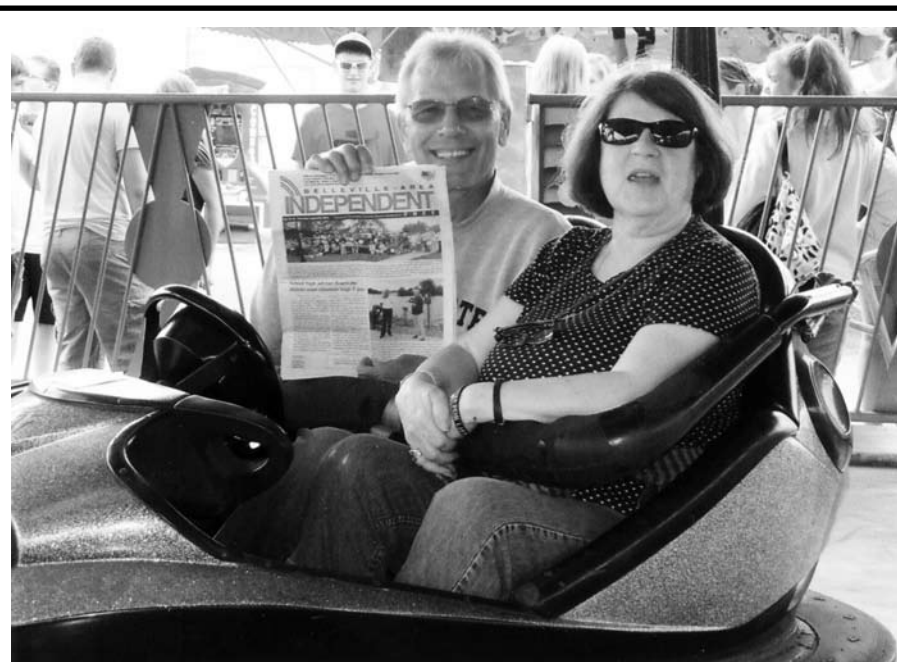
• **Saturday, Oct. 17** – St. Anthony Men’s Club is holding its dinner/dance/raffle from 6:30 p.m. to midnight at the Father Folta Building. See Garden Fantasy on Main, 697-7400 for tickets.

• **Sunday, Oct. 18** – Off-leash playtime at 2 p.m. with other friendly Pugs and Pug owners in the Abbott Building at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Road, Van Buren Township. FREE, but donations accepted to help. Your Pugs will love you for their new social life! [www.meetup.com/semichiganpugs](http://www.meetup.com/semichiganpugs)

• **Friday, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24** – The Western Wayne County Quilting Guild presents “Quilting on the Edge Quilt Show” at Wayne County Community College, 9555 Haggerty Road, Belleville. It’s open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Cost is \$5. Quilts on display, vendor mall, raffle tickets, scrap bag sales, scissor sharpening, trunk show, demonstrations, classes, free parking.

• **Saturday, Oct. 24** – Tiger Trek Walk-a-Thon and Family Fun Day is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the BHS Athletic Wing. Crafters, vendors, inflatables, face painting, basketball raffle and 50/50 drawing. Benefits Van Buren Schools.

• **Saturday, Oct. 24** – State Rep. Kristy Pagan invites you to join her for coffee at 10 a.m. at Leo’s Coney Island, 9624 Belleville Road. Let her know your concerns.



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**Court Watching:****Court date postponed after report defendant is in the hospital**

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

A probable cause conference for Patrick Michael Wells, set for Sept. 23 before 34<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge David Parrott was adjourned until Sept. 30 after the court was informed by phone by the defendant's wife that he was on a ventilator in the hospital.

Judge Parrott said the person who was called at the court said she felt the information was in "good faith," so the case was postponed a week to get the defendant before a judge or to get more information on his whereabouts.

Wells, 49, had been lodged in the Wayne County Jail on a bond of \$20,000 or 10% on a charge of felony assault (assault with a dangerous weapon) on April 22 in Van Buren Township. He is considered a habitual offender and is being defended by court-appointed attorney David Lankford. Officer in charge is VBT Detective Ken Toney.

On Sept. 30, when Wells' case was called before Judge Brian A. Oakley, the judge was informed Wells was intubated and ventilated and an attendant doctor at Annapolis signed a statement to that effect.

Judge Oakley adjourned the case for another week, to Oct. 7, but said if the police investigation shows the doctor's statement is incorrect, Oakley will call the doctor in for a "show cause" hearing.

Detective Toney told Judge Oakley that he got a call from an unidentified woman that said Wells was getting ready to run.

**Michael James Miskell**

Michael James Miskell's preliminary exam was adjourned until Oct. 28 because his retained attorney Michael Legris will be out of the country on Oct. 7, the original date set for the exam.

Miskell, 43, is facing a charge of criminal sexual conduct – third degree (force or coercion) and is out after posting \$10,000/10% bond. The crime reportedly took place on Oct. 28, 2013 in Van Buren Township. He has been named a habitual offender. Officer in charge is Det. Toney.

Legris told Judge Oakley that Miskell is

on a tether now and can be out noon to four on two days a week, Thursday and Saturday. Legris said he would like the judge to allow his client to be out 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday so he can work.

"We put them on GPS tethers and they put the curfews on downtown," Judge Oakley said, adding the court will get clarification on the GPS tether bond procedures. Oakley signed a request for Miskell to be allowed to be out to work.

**John Wesley Chambers**

John Wesley Chambers, 42, was bound over to circuit court for an Oct. 14 arraignment on the information on charges of operating while intoxicated – 3<sup>rd</sup>, after waiving his preliminary exam at district court. He is out on \$10,000 personal recognizance bond. The offense was reported to have taken place on Dec. 23, 2014 in Van Buren Township. Detective Donovan McCarthy is the officer in charge.

**Gerald Michael Kincaid**

Gerald Michael Kincaid, 38, told Judge Oakley that the vehicle is in the body shop and should be done within the next week or so. Kincaid is charged with malicious destruction of property (more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000) and was due for his probable cause conference. He is out on \$5,000 personal recognizance bond.

Judge Oakley adjourned Kincaid's probable cause conference until Nov. 9. He ordered Kincaid not to have any contact with the address on Denton Road or the complainant. The offense allegedly occurred on Aug. 28.

Defense attorney in the case is court-appointed attorney David Lankford. Detective Donovan McCarthy is the officer in charge.

**Terry Lee Petrowski**

A motion hearing was held in the case of Terry Lee Petrowski, 37, who is charged with 11 counts of criminal sexual conduct in 2012 in Van Buren Township. Petrowski posted his \$250,000/10% bond and retained attorney Michael Harrison.

Harrison asked for the Kids Talk (Children's Advocacy Center) videos of the victim so he can watch them at his leisure. Assistant Prosecutor Danielle Bennett said the prosecutor's office has the only copy and it's forbidden to make a copy for anyone else.

Judge Oakley signed an order directing

the prosecutor's office to make a copy of the video. He made sure the video would not be shown to anyone else besides other attorneys and staff in Harrison's office and any experts, with the experts signing a statement that they will abide by the protective order.

Judge Oakley complimented the prosecutor and defense attorney for "playing like grownups" in their discussion of the issue at hand. "I like that," he said.

The preliminary exam was adjourned until Thursday, Oct. 22.

**Onnik Hacik Ceceyan**

Onnik Hacik Ceceyan, 57, was present for his probable cause conference on a charge of assault by strangulation on June 4 in Van Buren Township. He is out on \$10,000 personal recognizance bond. His preliminary exam is set for 10 a.m. Oct. 7. Detective McCarthy is the officer in charge.

**Curtis Wayne Lester**

Curtis Wayne Lester, 33, passed on his probable cause conference and will have his preliminary exam on Oct. 7 on a charge of operating while intoxicated with an occupant under 16 years of age in the city of Belleville. He is out on \$5,000 personal recognizance bond. Officer Matthew Vandeweghe is the officer in charge.

**Michael Stanley Michalski**

Michael Stanley Michalski, 40, is out on \$10,000 personal recognizance bond and is to be present Oct. 7 for his preliminary exam. He is facing two charges of controlled substance/delivery of marijuana, and one charge each of possession of a weapon by a felon, possession of ammunition by a felon, weapons/felony firearms, and maintaining a drug house, all on June 11, 2014. He is considered a habitual offender. His retained attorney is John Brusstar and the officer in charge is Western Wayne Narcotics Officer Garrison.

**Shea David Rogers**

Shea David Rogers, 39, pled guilty to an added charge of attempted retail fraud on July 24, 2014 at Meijer and the original charge of retail fraud second degree was dropped. Rogers told Judge Oakley that he had been partying with a friend and his friend did the stealing and he just sat in the car. He said his sobriety date is July 26, 2014 and he has spent a year in jail since then. He told Judge Oakley his substance of use was crack cocaine.

Now he said he goes to AA meetings, does outreach with people on the street and finds a lot have mental health issues. He lives in Belleville and his bond was forfeited in August. He said he has been in custody for 12 days and a total of 22 days total on this case.

Judge Oakley freed him.

**No cell phones in courthouse**

There is a new rule, posted on the door of the 34<sup>th</sup> District Court in Romulus, that no cellphones will be allowed into the court building. This means the public will have to leave their phones in their vehicles if they want to enter the building. Attorneys and police will still be allowed to have their cellphones.

**Court Watching:****Charges dismissed against Chestang after complainant won't come**

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

David Jamal Chestang, 21, was due for his preliminary exam before Judge David Parrott on Sept. 23, but the complainant didn't show up so the Prosecutor made a motion to dismiss the charges without prejudice, which means they can be refiled in the future.

Chestang was charged was assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and domestic violence in Van Buren Township on July 20 and was lodged in the Wayne County Jail on \$10,000/10% bond. He was supposed to be brought to court, but the Sheriff's Department failed to deliver him and he remained in jail. He was to be released later from the jail.

On that case, VBT Detective Donovan McCarthy is the officer in charge and court-appointed attorney Ronnie Strong was to represent the defendant. But, Strong wasn't available and attorney Charles Rutledge stood in for him.

Chestang is in the middle of another case against him, home invasion first degree, and was granted \$10,000 personal recognizance bond. That allegedly occurred on June 23 in VBT. He waived his preliminary exam before Judge Tina Brooks Green on July 15 and is set for a jury trial on that charge on Nov. 11 before Circuit Court Judge Megan Brennan.

Chestang also has a pending warrant out of Inkster on seven assault and weapons charges.

**Randy Davon Gray, Jr.**

Randy Davon Gray, Jr., 22, was ordered released from jail by Judge Parrott on Sept. 23 after the charge of felonious assault was reduced to a misdemeanor charge of aggravated assault. Gray agreed that he pulled a knife on somebody he was arguing with in the city of Belleville on Sept. 1.

The complainant was the grandfather of the person Gray was assaulting and the grandfather called the police. Gray was arrested the same day and had been in jail for 22 days on a bond of \$20,000/10%. Belleville Officer Tim Trombly was the officer in charge.

Judge Parrott said this was a pretty serious charge and he didn't want to sentence him to just time-served. He did sentence him to 22 days (time-served), six months of reporting probation, \$1,045 in fees and fines, and other restrictions set by the probation department. He was ordered to have no contact with the victim.

It was possible that he could have been released from the courtroom and his mother went home to get him clothes to replace the yellow jail outfit he wore.

Court-appointed attorney Lankford represented the defendant.

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# VBT Board

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Supervisor Linda Combs said she is hesitant to start without the county's money in hand, but, "We've got residents who've waited a long time" for the roadwork.

"Where are we left if we don't get it?" asked Trustee Reggie Miller, referring to the county's money.

Supervisor Combs said she called Judge Kaufman, the county's Deputy CEO, and asked for something in writing and, "Our calls were not returned."

When asked how long it takes for a contractor to start after approval of the contract, engineering consultant Dave Nummer said it typically would be a couple of weeks.

Akers said it was his understanding that

if the project wasn't done this year it could be done in the spring.

"I agree with Trustee Miller," said Trustee Jeff Jahr. "There's no sense in sticking our neck out a mile."

"I had a problem at the beginning with us getting in the middle," Trustee Jahr said. "It's not our project. It really should be Wayne County's project."

"Wayne County has financial problems," pointed out Trustee Brenda McClanahan, adding the township doesn't want to get stuck.

It was pointed out that if the county went bankrupt the contract with the township could be voided.

"We're jumping through hoops and drop-dead deadlines are shifting," Jahr said.

Nummer said the work in Walden Woods is concrete and the Dewitt, Venetian,

Jeanette work is asphalt.

After more discussion the board agreed to pull the resolution from Tuesday's agenda and set up a special meeting for Oct. 15, after the morning county commission meeting, to approve the projects once the money is assured.

## Upcoming Meetings

• Thursday, Oct. 8 – Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township

Planning Commission, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, Oct. 12 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons

• Tuesday, Oct. 13 – September Days Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, Van Buren Township Recreation Committee, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library meeting at 7:30 p.m.

## Sumpter Township Public Notice

### Sumpter Township Notice of Public Hearing Variance

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Sumpter Township Zoning Board of Appeals on October 22, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, for the purpose of receiving statements and views on a proposed Variance on 81-004-99-0010-701 better known as 46750 Harris Rd. The Variance request does not meet set back requirements, per Sumpter Township Ordinance. The Pole Barn must comply with Section 4.20 (I) Farm structures (greater than six hundred (600) feet in floor area) shall comply with the following setback provisions:

- Side: No less than a fifty (50) foot setback is required between all on-site residential buildings and an on-site farm structure.

Proposed Pole Barn is located thirty (30) feet from the existing house.

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.  
Clerk  
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The Proposed Pole barn would be placed ten (10) feet from the rear and side property lines representing a deficiency of twenty (20) feet.

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.  
Clerk  
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## City of Belleville Public Notice



### City of Belleville Regular City Council Meeting Minutes September 21, 2015

A regular meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order at 7:30 P.M., at the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street by Mayor Conley.

#### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Fielder	Present
Council Member Smith	Absent/Excused
Council Member Tindall	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Loria	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

#### 3. PRESENTATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

#### 4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Loria, Second by Tindall to approve the agenda with additions. To add item 8J Mayor's appointment to Boards and Commissions.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of September 8, 2015 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

#### 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None.

#### 8. GENERAL BUSINESS

##### A. Booville – Chamber of Commerce Event – Fourth Street Square

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-111**, to approve a request from Belleville Chamber of Commerce to conduct the Witches Ball with bar to be served by Egan's Pub on October 23, 2015 at Fourth Street Square from 7:30 P.M. until Midnight.

AYES: Conley, Fielder, Loria,

NAYS: Tindall

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Loria, Second by Tindall to approve **Resolution No. 15-112**, to approve a request from Belleville Chamber of Commerce to conduct the BooTech Cauldron Cook-off with BHS Band at Fourth Street Square on October 24, 2015 from 6-8 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED.

##### B. Booville – Dash in Disguise

Motion by Tindall, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-113**, to approve a request from Plymouth YMCA to hold the Dash in Disguise family fun run on Saturday, October 24, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. The run/walk will start in Horizon Park, follow a course on Main Street and end at Fourth Street Square.

MOTION CARRIED.

##### C. Booville – CAF 5 – Pancake Breakfast – Fourth Street Square

Motion by Loria, Second by Tindall to approve **Resolution No. 15-114**, to approve the CAF 5 pancake breakfast to be held at the Fourth Street Square Booville Tent on Saturday, October 24, 2015 from 8-11 A.M.

MOTION CARRIED.

##### D. Booville – Rotary – Pumpkin Carving – Fourth Street Square

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-115**, to approve a request from Belleville Rotary Club to conduct the Booville Pumpkin Carving event on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at Fourth Street Square from 12-2 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### E. October is "Booville" in Belleville.

Motion by Tindall, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-116**, to declare that Belleville becomes Booville for the month of October 2015 for a month long celebration of Harvest and Halloween activities.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### F. Open Bids – Computer Consulting Services & Equipment

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-117**, to open sealed bids for Computer Consulting Services and Equipment. One bid received from Wise Technologies, LLC in the amount of \$9,612.60 for computer upgrades. City Council would like to have some questions answered before making a decision.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### G. Harvest Fest – Street Closing

Motion by Tindall, Second by Fielder to approve **Resolution No. 15-118**, to approve a request from Belleville Harvest Fest Committee to close Fourth Street from Main Street to Belleville Area District Library at Charles Street for the annual Harvest Fest on October 10, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### H. Hillside Cemetery Tour – BAM

Motion by Tindall, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-119**, to approve the BAM Cemetery Tour at Hillside Cemetery on Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 12-3 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### I. City Representative – Strawberry Festival

Motion by Loria, Second by Fielder to approve **Resolution No. 15-120**, to approve the appointment of City Council Member Kim Tindall as the City representative to the Strawberry Festival Committee.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### J. Mayor's Appointment to Boards and Commissions

Motion by Tindall, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-121**, to approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Jesse Marcotte to the Planning Commission with term to expire on December 31, 2016 effective immediately.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### 9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-122**, to approve accounts payable and payables over \$500.00 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### 10. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

None.

#### 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to MCL 15.268(d) to consider the purchase of real property prior to obtaining an option or lease.

Motion by Fielder, Second by Loria to approve **Resolution No. 15-123** to recess regular meeting and enter into Executive Session at 8:45 P.M. Pursuant to MCL 15.268(d) to consider the purchase of real property prior to obtaining an option or lease.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Fielder, Second by Tindall to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 P.M.

MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Long, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: October 5, 2015

Published: October 8, 2015



# Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

## Job Vacancy Posting



### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN JOB VACANCY POSTING



**Position Title:** Account Clerk

**Department:** Developmental Services

**Classification:** Regular, Full-time

**FLSA Status:** Non-exempt

**Union Affiliation:** AFSCME

**Opening Date:** 09/22/15

**Closing Date:** Open Until Filled

**Starting Hourly Wage:** \$15.50

**91 Day Hourly Wage:** \$16.47

**18 Month Hourly Wage:** \$17.45

#### General Duty Statement:

Van Buren Charter Township is now accepting resumes for Developmental Services Account Clerk

Detailed information can be found on the Van Buren Township website.

[www.vanburen-mi.org/about-the-community/help-wanted](http://www.vanburen-mi.org/about-the-community/help-wanted)

Please submit a cover letter, resume and application to:

[vbthr@vanburen-mi.org](mailto:vbthr@vanburen-mi.org).

Only Qualified Applicants Need Apply

The Charter Township of Van Buren is an equal opportunity employer

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## Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



**Boy Scout Troop 793** out of St. Anthony Church is raising money to replace an aging utility trailer they use to go to and from outings and campouts and they're asking the community to help. The existing trailer has 10,000 miles on it and is over 16 years old and in need of several thousand dollars in upgrades. So, they started a fundraiser with a goal of \$10,000 to buy a new one. They've already raised \$4,300 of it this summer, but need more. Donations are tax-deductible and can be mailed to **Boy Scout Troop 793, 409 West Columbia, Belleville, MI 48111.**

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**Doug Dalton Auctioneer** of Belleville is holding his monthly **Estate Auction** tomorrow evening, Oct. 9, at the **Romulus Progressive Hall** at 6 p.m. with previews beginning at 4 p.m. For more info, descriptions and lots of photos see their half-page ad in today's paper and visit [www.dougdaltonauctioneer.com](http://www.dougdaltonauctioneer.com).

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**Sumpter Parks & Recreation's Turkey Shoot** continues this Sunday, Oct. 11, and every Sunday through October at the gun range, beginning at noon, with registration at 11:30 a.m. Call **Don Swinson** at (734) 674-4980.

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**Rollers Skate Park** on Sumpter Road is holding a Halloween event on Oct. 17, from 2 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5, which

includes skating, a free pumpkin, and pumpkin carving contest with prizes. Call (734) 699-0023.

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**Garden Fantasy on Main** will be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony with the **Belleville Chamber of Commerce** tomorrow evening, Oct. 9, at 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. Refreshments and giveaways will be available. Then a grand opening will take place on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The public is invited to both events. Call (734) 697-7400.

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**Maya's Mediterranean Cuisine** is a new restaurant that opened this year at 244 East Columbia Ave. in the new Davenport strip mall. Maya's is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner, featuring an entire menu made from scratch. Favorites include appetizers like hummus, falafel, and grape leaves to their Chicken Shawarma and Shish Kafta. Their list of dinner favorites include Chicken Gallaba and lamb chops, all served up with their oven-baked pita bread made daily and served hot with their garlic spread. Right now get a free hummus appetizer with any dinner purchase of \$19.99, now thru Oct. 29. Book your next private party or business meeting in their private banquet room with seating for up to 25 people. They're open Monday thru Friday, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Visit them on Facebook and check out their website at [www.mayascuisine.com](http://www.mayascuisine.com). Call (734) 252-9880. Catering is also available.

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The folks over at **Yankee Air Museum** are attempting to reclaim their **Guinness World Record** for the most Rosie the Riveters assembled. The attempt will take place on Oct. 24 and about 1,100 Rosies are needed and in costume. Those interested must fill out an online registration form at [www.yankeeairmuseum.org](http://www.yankeeairmuseum.org).

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The city's **Harvest Fest** is this Saturday, Oct. 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the **Belleville Area District Library**, on **Fourth Street** and at the **Belleville Area Museum**. There will be old-time activities for the entire family with crafts at the library, a petting farm, pony rides, and bakery goods from area non-profits. Belleville A&W will provide food at a nominal cost. I'll be on Fourth Street next to the museum chalk drawing with kids so stop by and say hi. Joyous Noise will be providing entertainment at both locations. See you there!

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*Do you have a business item you would like to see in this column? There is no charge. Call Bob Mytych at (734) 699-9020 with your suggestion.*

# Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REPROGRAMMING OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, and County of Wayne, Michigan, 48111 on **Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** regarding the proposed use of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the reprogramming / transfer of the following funds from Housing Rehabilitation to Demolition.

#### Qualifying the Project

The demolition project would meet the qualifying standards for CDBG projects as follow:

- National Objective – Elimination of Slums and Blight
- Eligible Activity – Clearance and Demolition (HUD Matrix Code 04)

The Township will comply with all CDBG regulations pertaining project qualification.

#### Proposed Funding Sources

The cost of each demolition will be determined on a case-by-case basis. To provide funding for the demolition program, the Township proposes to use the following estimated funding:

- Reprogram (transfer) 2013 balance:
    - Activity #13-30-14A, Countywide Housing Rehabilitation - \$34,000.00
- TOTAL \$34,000.00**

Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Developmental Services until 4:00 p.m., the hearing date.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability should contact the Planning and Economic Development Department at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the meeting to request accommodations.

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# Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*Out of the 696 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police this week, the following are selected for this column.*

**Sunday, Sept. 27:**  
0129 – noise complaint, Moms Dr.  
0516 – breaking & entering motor vehicle, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0728 – shots fired, Springwood Blvd.  
0816 – property damage accident, Michigan/Dellor  
0954 – breaking & entering, Martz Rd.  
0954 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0958 – malicious destruction of property, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1235 – assault & battery, Sumpter Rd./Hull Rd.  
1413 – operating while intoxicated, Sumpter/Hull  
1452 – personal injury accident, Haggerty Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1526 – shots fired, Riggs Rd.  
1542 – assault & battery, Brandi  
1555 – assault & battery, Parkwood Dr.  
1653 – personal injury accident, Bemis Rd./Elwell  
1754 – noise complaint, Lohr  
1909 – neighbor trouble, Parkwood Dr.  
1928 – E-911 cellular, Martz  
2023 – operating while intoxicated, Ecorse/I-275  
2107 – E-911 cellular, Sumpter/Bemis

**Monday, Sept. 28:**  
0006 – E-911 cellular, Savage Rd.  
0006 – assault & battery, Savage Rd.  
0511 – noise complaint, E. Archwood Dr.  
0815 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.  
0945 – private property accident, Belleville Rd.  
1013 – intimidation threat, Oak Ln.  
1507 – personal injury accident, Michigan/Denton  
1514 – fraud, Tyler Rd.  
1540 – larceny, N. Ponderosa Trl.  
1548 – assault & battery, W. Huron River Dr. / Hoefst Rd.  
1606 – fraud, Redwood  
1720 – civil matter, Renton Rd.  
1908 – agency assist, Main  
1912 – breaking & entering, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1914 – shots fired, Savage Rd.  
1943 – fight, Archwood Dr.  
1951 – breaking & entering, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2000 – agency assist, Renton Rd.  
2026 – fraud, S. Belleridge Dr.  
2132 – noise complaint, Lighthouse Dr.

**Tuesday, Sept. 29:**  
0428 – trespassing, Hardwood Dr.  
1000 – property damage accident, Ecorse/SB I-275  
1242 – larceny, Haggerty Rd.  
1316 – private property incident, E. Schooner Dr.  
1543 – juvenile complaint, Mott  
1553 – suspicious situation, Edgemont Elementary  
1813 – narcotics crime, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.  
1906 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1942 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd./ Bemis Rd.  
2015 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2139 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. Belleridge Dr.  
2252 – vehicle repossession, Parkwood

**Wednesday, Sept. 30:**  
0003 – agency assist, Van Born/Lilley  
0037 – noise complaint, Archwood  
0550 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
0710 – hospice, Hannan Rd.  
0753 – malicious destruction of property, Barkley  
0800 – panic alarm, Pebblebrook Dr.  
0846 – hospice, Patty Ln.  
0944 – ordinance violation, Martinsville Rd.  
0945 – larceny, Ecorse Rd.  
1055 – panic alarm, Nautica Dr.  
1119 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.  
1223 – larceny, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
1357 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1408 – private property incident, N. Woodbury Dr.  
1433 – breaking & entering, Anna Dr.  
1507 – larceny, Harmony Ln.  
1546 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1712 – juvenile complaint, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1919 – noise complaint, Fret Rd./Renton Rd.

1945 – breaking & entering, S. Bellridge Dr.  
2041 – noise complaint, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
2315 – retail fraud, Belleville

**Thursday, Oct. 1:**  
0550 – assault & battery, Deanna Dr.  
0623 – assault & battery, Arthur St.  
0846 – assault & battery, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1036 – private property incident, Van Born Rd.  
1124 – agency assist, Jewell Ave.  
1151 – agency assist, Rose Blvd.  
1803 – larceny, Denton Rd.  
1955 – disturbance, S. Bellridge Dr.  
2151 – sexual assault, Rose Blvd.  
2220 – noise complaint, Lighthouse Dr.  
2228 – shots fired, VB gun range  
2304 – assault & battery, Sylvia Dr.  
2344 – disturbance, S. I-94 Service Dr.

**Friday, Oct. 2:**  
0450 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Belleville Rd.  
1356 – mental, Van Buren St.  
1431 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1502 – assault & battery, N. I-94 Service Dr./Quirk  
1515 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Ecorse Rd.  
1534 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Independence  
1834 – property damage accident, Belleville/I-94  
1017 – juvenile complaint, Ironwood Dr.  
1941 – juvenile complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
2329 – assault & battery, Park Estates  
2339 – assault & battery, Christina Ln.

**Saturday, Oct. 3:**  
0015 – assault & battery, Landmark  
0444 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Rawsonville Rd.  
1108 – assault & battery, Beacon Trl.  
1130 – malicious destruction of property, Park Estates  
1147 – larceny, Ventura Dr.  
1349 – disturbance, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1746 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1938 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2028 – breaking & entering, Jackson St.  
2052 – shots fired, Haggerty/Haggerty School

Also on this week’s log are 207 traffic stops, 56 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

# Belleville Police Dispatch Log

**Sunday, Sept. 27:**  
0318 – suspicious person, Loza Ln./E. Huron River Dr.  
1418 – operating while intoxicated, South St./W. Wabash Ave.  
1522 – motorist assist, S. I-94/Belleville  
1529 – noise complaint, W. Wabash/South St.  
2032 – parking complaint, Main St.

**Monday, Sept. 28:**  
0140 – agency assist, Willis/Rawsonville  
0150 – assault & battery, Lakeview  
0356 – agency assist, Karr  
0818 – disorderly conduct, W. Columbia Ave.  
0856 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
1311 – follow up, Anaheim  
1334 – civil matter, Loza Ln.  
1716 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Robbe  
1815 – fraud, Harbour Pointe Dr.  
1825 – assist fire dept., Robbe St.  
1905 – disorderly conduct, Main St.

**Tuesday, Sept. 29:**  
0740 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.  
0745 – E-911 cellular, Sumpter Rd.  
1003 – assist fire dept., Santa Clara St.  
1032 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd.  
1524 – abandoned auto, Victorian Ln.  
1525 – larceny, Main St.  
1555 – suspicious situation, S. Edgemont Ave.  
1710 – assist fire dept., Victorian Ln.  
1753 – welfare check, Victorian Ln.

**Wednesday, Sept. 30:**  
1045 – E-911 hang up, W. Columbia Ave.  
1721 – domestic assault, Henry St.  
1728 – property damage accident, W. Davis St. / South St.  
1751 – welfare check, Henry St.  
1948 – civil matter, W. Columbia Ave.

**Thursday, Oct. 1:**  
0210 – warrant arrest, Main St.  
0630 – neighbor trouble, Belle Villa Blvd.  
1538 – traffic complaint, High St./Edison Ave.  
1941 – suicide or attempt, Henry St.  
2252 – assist fire dept., Egan’s Pub  
2300 – property damage accident, Egan’s  
2302 – property damage accident, Main St./Denton

**Friday, Oct. 2:**  
0242 – suspicious vehicle, Johnny’s  
0539 – assist citizen, W. Columbia Ave.  
0758 – assist fire dept., Loza Ln.  
0916 – fraud, Wexford Ave.  
1218 – family trouble, Loza Ln.  
1338 – family trouble, W. Thornhill Ct.  
1522 – vehicle lockout, Belle Plaza  
1621 – suspicious person, Fourth St.  
1957 – civil matter, Loza Ln.  
2228 – suspicious person, Belle Villa Blvd.

**Saturday, Oct. 3:**  
0034 – agency assist, Landmark  
0253 – intrusion alarm, Light Tower Ct.  
0304 – suspicious person, Belleville Rd.  
1205 – assist fire dept., San Carlos  
1555 – intrusion alarm, Owen  
1907 – parking complaint, Menlo Park Dr.  
1952 – suspicious situation, Belle Villa  
Also on this week’s log are 49 traffic stops.

# Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

**Sunday, Sept. 27:**  
0726 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1204 – animal complaint, 24000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1753 – death investigation, 18000 bl. Sumpter  
1902 – citizen assist, Bemis/Sumpter  
1915 – trespassing complaint, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
2051 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
2124 – assist other agency, Texas  
2205 – suspicious vehicle, Texas  
2342 – child abuse/neglect complaint, Texas

**Monday, Sept. 28:**  
0026 – alarm, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0133 – operating while intoxicated arrest, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0352 – family trouble, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.  
0700 – traffic hazard, Savage/Bemis  
0934 – fraud complaint, Wayside  
1357 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville  
1430 – animal complaint, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1625 – animal complaint, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1642 – property damage accident, Sherwood / Judd  
1847 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2021 – suspicious vehicle, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2241 – animal complaint, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2319 – suspicious person, Willis/Sumpter

**Tuesday, Sept. 29:**  
0009 – fire dept. assist, Greenmeadow  
0511 – alarm, 8300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
0621 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood  
0747 – animal complaint, 10000 bl. Rawsonville  
0914 – animal bite, 24000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
0959 – well-being check, Texas  
1011 – suspicious incident, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1101 – larceny, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1434 – animal complaint, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2031 – abandoned vehicle, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.

**Wednesday, Sept. 30:**  
1014 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1032 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1435 – abandoned vehicle, 46000 bl. Claxton Dr.  
1638 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1733 – animal complaint, 46000 bl. Claxton Dr.  
2035 – suspicious vehicle, 37000 bl. Judd Rd.

**Thursday, Oct. 1:**  
0241 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.  
0807 – suspicious person, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
0844 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1140 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville  
1345 – animal complaint, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1448 – juvenile complaint, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1657 – warrant pick up, out of township  
2048 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2051 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Paris Dr.  
2157 – suspicious incident, 8700 bl. Rawsonville

**Friday, Oct. 2:**  
0735 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0932 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville

1034 – animal complaint, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1043 – citizen assist, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1205 – assist other agency, 10000 bl. Rawsonville  
1225 – threats complaint, Texas  
1247 – civil dispute, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1355 – harassment complaint, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1417 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1523 – suspicious incident, Judd/Martinsville  
1535 – assist other agency, 24000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1529 – assist other agency, 46000 bl. Kozma Rd.  
1713 – civil dispute, 43000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1759 – warrant pick up, out of township  
1825 – civil dispute, Birch  
1835 – reckless driver complaint, Carriage Ln.

**Saturday, Oct. 3:**  
0612 – alarm, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.  
0808 – well-being check, 19000 bl. Sharon Ct.  
1111 – civil dispute, New Mexico  
1249 – assist other agency, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1310 – fire dept. assist, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1928 – suspicious vehicle, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
Also on this week’s log are 11 follow-up investigations, 40 miscellaneous details, 111 patrol checks, and 54 traffic stops.

# VBT Police Department is safe haven for Craigslist transactions

Van Buren Township is announcing its police headquarters as a “Safe Zone” for Craigslist transactions for its residents.

Public Safety Director Greg Laurain said in the interest of public safety, the VBT Police Department is encouraging residents to utilize the police department’s lobby or parking lot as a place to meet person(s) to complete transactions initiated on Craigslist or similar online websites.

He said the police department is a safe zone that has a video recorded lobby and a desk officer on duty during business hours Monday through Friday.

Director Laurain said individuals operating online are not always who they appear to be so using caution and meeting at a safe venue such as the police department makes good sense.

# Correction: Write for Guided Steps foundation information to 22770 Sumpter Road

In the story about the tree house on our front page last week, an address was incorrect. The reader is invited to write for more information on the Guided Steps foundation to Renee Osaer at the correct address of 22770 Sumpter Road, Belleville 48111.

-- Rosemary K. Otzman, editor




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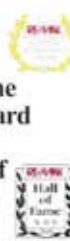


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